



PROTECTION ORDER

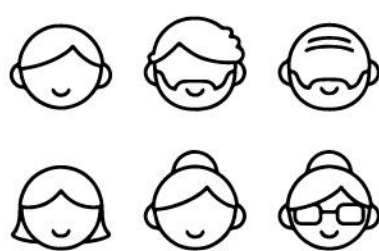
WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE?

Domestic Violence refers to different forms of abuse such as:



- Damage to property
- Abusive or controlling behavior
- Physical, emotional and economical
- Intruding on property to cause harm

WHO CAN APPLY FOR A PROTECTION ORDER?



Anyone who is a victim of domestic violence (including children).



Anyone who has a material interest in the wellbeing of another person (requires written consent).

ONE IN FOUR WOMAN ARE SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

HOW TO APPLY FOR A PROTECTION ORDER



Visit your local Magistrate Court at any time, even outside of Court hours, on weekends and public holidays.



Apply for a temporary order by completing the relevant forms. The Clerk of the Court will assist you.



The Sheriff will deliver a notice to the wrongdoer.



A date will be provided when you and the wrongdoer will have to appear in Court and indicate why the order should or should not be made final.



Should a wrongdoer not comply with the final protection order, he may be arrested by SAPS.

DID YOU KNOW that 90% of women say they have suffered verbal abuse.

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